BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2003-227-C - ORDER NO. 2007-438

JULY 2, 2007

IN RE: Application of Hargray Wireless, LLC for

Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications

Carrier Under 74 U.S.C. 214(e)(2).

) ORDER GRANTING

) PETITION TO

) INTERVENE OUT OF

) TIME

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Petition of United Telephone Company of the Carolinas d/b/a Embarq (Embarq) to Intervene Out of Time in this Docket. We grant the Petition, with the caveat described below.

It should be noted that Sprint spun off Embarq after the deadline for intervention in this Docket had passed. Although it would have been the better practice for Embarq to have petitioned for intervention at the time of the spin-off, Embarq did petition to intervene within two weeks of the filing of the Notice of Hearing in this Docket.

Although Embarq could have, and should have, been more timely in moving for intervention, Hargray Wireless, LLC (Hargray) has not demonstrated prejudice if Embarq is allowed to intervene, since Embarq has not requested any scheduling delays in connection with the proposed late intervention. Accordingly, we hold that Embarq's Petition to Intervene Out of Time is granted, with the caveat that any motion by Embarq for a delay of the hearing in this matter shall not be favorably received by this Commission.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

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